

COUNTRY Eastern Germany

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**TOPIC** Field Exercises North of Neuruppin

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## EVALUATION.

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## REFERENCES.

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**REMARKS**

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On 18 August 1952, a field exercise was held 1 km southwest of Linow (N 54/ U 41), in the training area north of Neuruppin (N 53/2 49). It involved 6 JSU-122 guns [redacted] 9 JS-2 tanks [redacted] 25X1  
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[redacted] 5 model M-13 rocket launchers [redacted] and 3 side- 25X1  
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25X1 39 JSU-122 SP guns [redacted] 10 JS-2 tanks [redacted]  
25X1 trucks [redacted] 25X1  
25X1 [redacted] 47 x 122-mm field howitzers coupled to trucks and 30 x 120-mm mortars, 25X1  
also coupled to trucks, were in a parking lot north of Stendenitz. A motorboat 25X1  
was pulling four pontoons in the southern section of Zermuetzel lake. Landing 25X1  
stages, 30 meters long, were built of military bridge building equipment. Field 25X1  
howitzers of 122-mm attached to trucks and a jeep were ferried across the lake. 25X1  
Empty engineer vehicles on the western bank [redacted] 25X1  
25X1 [redacted] Jeep [redacted] and 10 trucks towing 122-mm 25X1  
field howitzers were on the eastern bank ready to be ferried across the lake. 25X1  
About 7 T-34/85 tanks and 25 JS tanks were on a parking lot north of the road from 25X1  
Ranger to Molchow. Twelve JS-3 tanks [redacted] 25X1  
[redacted] were lined up at the ferry near Nordschleuse Neumuehle. Ten T-34/85 tanks 25X1  
practiced aiming at a practice target representing a tank on the Neumuehle troop 25X1  
training grounds. \*

\* [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] tank, artillery, and engineer units of the 12th Gds Tank Div had been engaged in practices in the area north of Neuruppin on 1 and 12 August. The exercises in the present report appear to have extended as far as the Eheinsberg area. It is

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believed that the figures regarding weapons and caliber are estimated too high. This was also reported [redacted] comment of the reference report which contained similar information. Difficulties regarding the penetration of the wooded area [redacted] 25X1  
[redacted] because of dust clouds, which were previously mentioned, are probably the reasons [redacted] 25X1  
motor vehicle [redacted] 25X1 again, the practices were held by elements of the 12th Gds Tank Div. Therefore, it is probable that major components of this division engaged in field exercises in the area between Neuruppin and Rheinsberg. 25X1

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